

Zips

Zero to age 21: Information
Promoting Success for Nurses
working with Kansas Kids

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Welcome to ZIPS: Zero to Age 21: Information Promoting Success for Nurses working with Kansas Kids. Our newsletter continues to expand, and with this issue we have added information from Joseph Kotsch, KDHE's New Perinatal Consultant, and Ted Carter, KDHE's new Abstinence Education Consultant. We hope this newsletter continues to be a useful resource for you, and encourage you to give us your comments, feedback, and suggestions. Also, note that the previous issues of the ZIPS can be found at:

<http://www.kdhe.state.ks.us/bcyf/c-f/zips/>

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The 14th Annual Statewide Summer Conference for Kansas School Nurses held in Wichita, KS at the Hyatt Hotel, July 28 through Aug. 1 of 2003, was a great success! The conference was attended by 461 school nurses from across the state, and provided a phenomenal opportunity to network and gain information to enhance the schools nurse's practice. Terri Rebman, RN, MSN, CIC an infectious disease specialist from the Centers for the Study of Bioterrorism and Emerging Infections, in St. Louis Missouri, presented "Bioterrorism Preparedness for Kansas Schools," and Mindee Reece, the Kansas Bioterrorism director presented "Development and Implementation of the Kansas Bioterrorism Plan." Gloria Ver-

mie from the Sedgwick County Health Department, Ella Vajnar, a Medical Investigator from Northwest Kansas Bioterrorism Program, and Debbie Whitmer, a Public Health Nurse Specialist, provided their perspectives on bioterrorism and the role of the school nurse. There were also 20 breakout sessions, on various topics, to choose from as well as pre-conference and post-conference educational opportunities during the 5-day conference. The conference closed with a motivational presentation by Ron Willis entitled "It Can Be a Real Zoo Around Here." Mark your calendars now as the 15th Annual Statewide Summer Conference for Kansas School Nurses will be held July 26 - 30, 2004 at the Hyatt Hotel in Wichita.



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Welcome to the Perinatal News section of ZIPs! My name is Joe Kotsch the new Perinatal Program Consultant for the State of Kansas and I am looking forward to a long and beneficial relationship with you all. Let's get started with what's happening in September and look at some areas of potential interest.



Conference News. The Perinatal Association of Kansas will be meeting in Manhattan, Kansas on September 11 and 12, 2003 for their annual conference. This year's conference is entitled, "Changing Dimensions In Perinatal Care: Planting Seeds For Prevention". For more conference details you may contact me at: jkotsch@kdhe.state.ks.us or by calling (785) 296-1306. See you there!

Lead Screening.

The Kansas Childhood Lead Poisoning Prevention Program (KCLPP) is collaborating with the Kansas Division of Health and Environment Laboratories (DHEL) in providing different methodologies for blood lead sample collection at no cost to Kansas providers. This will have some effect on Kan Be Healthy and health assessment protocol across the state. For more information on this topic visit: <http://krhis.kdhe.state.ks.us/>



The Flu Gallery. The flu campaign is back, with a new theme and a new look. This season's flu campaign emphasizes protecting yourself and the ones you love by getting your flu vaccine. You'll find materials for parents, those who speak Spanish, those at high risk for complications from flu, and immunizers. All materials are free, and you can download them from: <http://www.cdc.gov/nip/Flu/gallery.htm>. Also be looking for information on the nasal spray flu vaccination coming soon!

Good Timing For Having Babies?

JOURNAL OF OBSTETRICS AND GYNECOLOGY According to a recent research article in the July edition of Obstetrics and Gynecology, women who wait six years or longer before their second pregnancy increase their risk for having a stillborn infant compared to women who don't wait that long to become pregnant again. However, both short and long inter-pregnancy intervals have also been associated with low birth weight, preterm delivery, and small-for-gestational age (SGA) infants. On average, women are advised to wait two years between pregnancies to help ensure a healthy baby.

PEDIATRICS "Many children and their families may not be receiving adequate counseling about how to avoid environmental exposures" asserts the author of a review article published in the July 2003 issue of Pediatrics. This review discusses several types of environmental exposures and attempts to determine whether they contribute to asthma prevalence, asthma exacerbations, or both. The entire article is found in the July edition of Pediatrics as listed: **How environmental exposures influence the development and exacerbation of asthma.** *Pediatrics*. 2003 Jul;112(1 Pt 2):233-9.

Before You Get Pregnant Planning is the Key

– is a brochure from the State Family Planning Administrators through a grant to the Center for Health Training in Seattle, and the Washington State Department of Health. <http://www.swedishmedical.org/PregnancyForesight/Home.html>
The brochure is available in Spanish, Ukrainian, Somali, Russian, Korean, Traditional Chinese, and Vietnamese.



New Parents Network: A useful resource to share with parents and caregivers. <http://www.newparentsnetwork.org>

In an Average Week in Kansas...

- 763 babies are born,
- 91 babies are born to mothers ages 15 to 19,
- 66 babies are born to mothers who receive inadequate prenatal care,
- 53 babies are born low birthweight,
- 84 babies are born preterm, and
- 5 babies die before their first birthday.

In 2000 in Kansas...

- 79.6% of mothers received adequate or beyond adequate prenatal care,
- 6.9% of infants were born low birthweight (LBW),
- 11.0% of infants were born preterm, and
- the infant mortality rate was 6.6 per 1,000 births.

Between 1991 and 2000 in Kansas...

- the percent of mothers receiving adequate prenatal care increased more than 3%,
- the proportion of all babies born low birthweight (LBW) increased more than 11%,
- the percentage of babies born preterm increased more than 13%, and
- the infant mortality rate declined nearly 26%.

From 1999-2001 in Kansas...

- 10.5% of children under age 19 were uninsured, compared to 12.5% nationwide, and
- 14.9% of women ages 15-44 were uninsured, compared to 18.3% nationwide.
- While pregnant women, children and other nondisabled, nonelderly adults comprised 68% of all Medicaid Enrollees, they accounted for only 18% of all Medicaid spending.

For FY2002-2003, Maternal and Child Health Block Grant funds to Kansas include \$5,217,492 in federal and \$6,148,472 in local dollars.

All of the above was taken from: <http://peristats.modimes.org/ata glance/20.pdf>

ZIPs: Child Health

Your greatness does not depend on the size of your command, but on the manner in which you exercise it.

- Ferdinand Foch (1851-1929) Military Leader

Find out how kids pay the high cost of being poor in the **2003 KIDS COUNT Data Book**. <http://www.aecf.org/kidscount/>



Did you know that seven out of ten parents of eligible, uninsured children (74%) indicate they would enroll in free or low-cost health care programs if they knew their children were eligible? For more information on how you can help uninsured children, go to: <http://www.coveringkids.org/>

KAN Be Healthy Training Opportunities. For more information about KBH or EPSDT training opportunities for registered nurses go to the KBH training website at: <http://www.washburn.edu/ce/kbh/training.html>

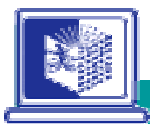
Starbright Asthma CD-ROM Game.

For a free interactive game that provides children with an entertaining way to learn important asthma management information. Visit: <http://www.starbright.org> or call Julie Fass at STAR-BRIGHT (310)479-1212 ext. 29 for your free game!

Your **gateway** to information about environmental risks to children can be found at: <http://yosemite.epa.gov/ochp/ochpweb.nsf/homepage>

Explore the Garfield Star Sleeper Web Site: Garfield and the National Center on Sleep Disorders Research have teamed up to bring you information on sleep and how it helps kids do their best at whatever they do. Visit: <http://www.nhlbi.nih.gov/health/public/sleep/starslp/index.htm>

Asthma and Snoring. Preschool children who regularly snore are more likely to have asthma and nocturnal cough as reported in *Chest* 2003;124:587-59



New Edition of the Children and Adolescents with Special Health Care Needs is an electronic guide on recent, high-quality resources for health professionals and families about caring for children and adolescents with special health care needs. This information can be found at: http://www.mchlibrary.info/KnowledgePaths/kp_CSHCN.html

The National Association of Children's Hospitals and Related Institutions, together with the American Academy of Pediatrics, have updated their series of one-page, state specific fact sheets about the issue of children and Medicaid. Medicaid provides health insurance for three in every ten American children, making it the largest children's health program in the country. For more info go to: http://www.childrenshospitals.net/nachri/resources/mfs_index.html or http://www.aap.org/advocacy/washing/elections/med_factsheet_pub.htm

Hip on Health – Reproducible Parent Information Sheets and Mini-Posters.

Hip on Health includes reproducible mini-posters and information sheets on 65 different health and safety topics. For a complete list of the 65 topics, or to download sample pages visit: <http://www.childhealthonline.org/parents.htm> Each 8 1/2" X 11", mini-poster addresses a single idea or recommendation related to the health, safety, and development of young children. Through clear, concise content and appealing graphics, these materials attract parents' attention and increase their awareness of each concept. These are available in English or Spanish and the cost is \$39.95.

Growing, Growing Strong: A Whole Health Curriculum for Young Children. Contains hundreds of fascinating activities and makes health fun and interactive. Each unit contains information on learning centers,



diversity issues, and resources. Activities are designed to use materials and resources found in most classrooms. Targeted population is Preschool to Grade 2. The cost is \$24.00 which includes shipping. For more information visit: <http://www.redleafpress.org> Or call: 800-423-8309.

Family Health and Fitness Day



USA is September 27-30 and is the focus of events all over the country to promote family involvement in physical fitness, one of the national health goals. You can host an event or join another community agency's event by visiting: <http://www.fitnessday.com/family/> Or call: 800-828-8225.

Model Child Care Health Policies, 4th edition – newly revised book: Edited by Susan Aronson MD, FAAP. Contains the written policies specified in the national standards

Caring for Our Children, 2nd edition.

To purchase from National Association for the Education of Young Children, order online at: <http://www.naeyc.org>. or call: 800-424-2460. Price - \$7.00 NAEYC members/ \$9.00 non-members

October is Lead Prevention Awareness Month

– in Kansas. The Kansas Lead Program has numerous educational materials, and has even produced a PSA for community media stations to promote lead prevention awareness. If your health department or community would like to sponsor an event, or use the PSA, please call: 888-291-2821 or visit their website at: <http://www.unleadedks.com>



Zips: Adolescent Health

Knowing is not enough; we must apply.
Willing is not enough; we must do.

- Goethe (1749-1832) Poet

New Abstinence Education Consultant. KDHE introduces Ted Carter, MA as the new Abstinence Only Education Program Director. He can be reached at: tcarter1@kdhe.state.ks.us.



Health Guide for America's Teens. Securitec Publications has published a resource guide for teens. The goal for the guide is to help teens take responsibility for their health. Visit: <http://www.securitec.com>

Article on Minor's Rights. The right of adolescents to access confidential health care is sensitive and controversial. To read more visit <http://www.medscape.com/viewarticle/456472?mpid=14898>

Programs That Work. Check out *Programs That Work* if you are looking for a curriculum that has shown evidence of changing adolescent sexual risk-taking behavior. Visit <http://www.etr.org/recapp/programs/index.htm>



Asian American Health Website. The National Library of Medicine now hosts a new Asian American Health site. The website may be accessed at <http://asianamericanhealth.nlm.nih.gov/>



Toolkit on Emergency Contraception. The Academy for Educational Development has published a toolkit to help schools and community organizations increase awareness of emergency contraception among adolescents. The toolkit contains: fact sheets about emergency contraception and other sources of materials. The Toolkit can be downloaded at: <http://www.aed.org/scs>



Healthy K.I.D.S. Quarterly newsletters will be available in English and Spanish that contain fun, age appropriate activities and information on how to make positive lifestyle changes. The 2nd issue of the Healthy K.I.D.S. newsletter is available online at: www.childrenshealthfund.org.

The Green Squad. *The Green Squad: Kids Taking Action for Greener, Healthier Schools* is a new interactive Web site aimed at middle schools. This virtual library of fact sheets on diesel exhaust, pests and pesticides, air quality, lead and molds provides hands-on opportunities to envision the environment in new ways. It also provides tips for reporting results of investigating the environment in the school newspaper. To access the Green Squad, go to: <http://www.nrdc.org/greensquad/>



Teen Parenting Video. The N, the nighttime programming for teens on the NOGGIN network (owned by Nickelodeon), created a special episode of their documentary series, "A Walk in Your Shoes" in which two teen couples switch lives for a day and learn about teen parenting. Each video includes a parent discussion guide and a teacher lesson. For details or to order the video, go to: <https://www.teenpregnancy.org/store/item.asp?productId=259>



4 Girls Health Web Site. Developed by the Office on Women's Health in the Department of Health and Human Services to give girls ages 10 to 16 reliable, current health information. This site focuses on many health topics that respond to adolescent concerns and motivates girls to choose healthy behaviors using positive, supportive and non-threatening messages. For information visit: <http://www.4girls.gov/fit/index.htm>



Violence in the Lives of Children. A report released by Child Trends identified the most and least common forms of violence that affect children's lives. Visit <http://www.childtrendsdatabank.org/PDF/Violence.pdf>



Binge Drinking. This report analyzed data gathered in the Monitoring the Future survey of drug use among 8th, 10th, and 12th graders. Persistent high levels of binge drinking at all grade levels are documented. Visit: <http://www.childtrendsdatabank.org/indicators/2BingeDrinking.cfm>

Preventing Firearm Injuries and Fatalities. Current firearm injury research involving three large American cities concluded that a handgun in your home is 22 times more likely to be used to injure or kill a family member or acquaintance than an intruder. Preventing access to firearms is an important strategy to reduce the continuing toll of gun injury and death. Go to: <http://healthlink.mcw.edu/content/article/newsletter/1031002281.html>



Facts About Adolescents who Have Babies:


- Adolescent mothers who return to school after the first birth are less likely to have a repeat birth in the first year after the first birth.
- The children of adolescent mothers are at increased risk for being a teen parent themselves.
- The children of adolescent mothers are at increased risk for dropping out of school as adolescents.
- The children of adolescent mothers who continue to have close ties with their fathers while they are growing up have better outcomes in education and employment as adults.

Prepared by: <http://www.cfoc.org>

Violence Against Women. Violence can take several forms including domestic or intimate partner violence, sexual assault and abuse, dating violence, and elder abuse. There are clear signs to know if abuse is occurring. For more information: <http://www.4woman.gov/violence/index.cfm>

Varicella-Related Deaths. During 2002, state health departments notified CDC about nine fatal cases of varicella in adults and children. The MMWR reported on two of the cases, one adult and one child, from Kansas and Illinois, respectively. These deaths highlight the importance of implementing strategies recommended for varicella disease prevention. To read the report visit: <http://www.cdc.gov/mmwr/preview/mmwrhtml/mm5223a3.htm>

Drug Abuse: Use and you lose. Drug addiction is a complex illness. Call Narcotics Anonymous at 818-773-9999 to help or get help from your local chapter. For more information visit: <http://www.4woman.gov>



CDC Clinician Registry for Terrorism and Emergency Response Updates and Training Opportunities. CDC has set up a free registry to provide clinicians with real-time information to help prepare for (and possibly respond to) terrorism and other emergency events. Participants will receive regular e-mail updates on terrorism and other emergency issues and on training opportunities relevant to clinicians. To sign up go to: <http://www.bt.cdc.gov/clinregistry/index.asp>

Parental Perception of Their Child's Asthma. This research article reports parental experiences with their children with asthma, specifically their beliefs, knowledge, and attitudes about asthma management, including medication use. Visit <http://www.medscape.com/viewarticle/456386?mpid=14609>

AAP Weighs in on Preventing Childhood Obesity. The American Academy of Pediatrics proposes strategies to foster prevention and early identification of overweight and obesity in children. To read more see <http://www.aap.org/advocacy/releases/augobesity.htm>



Language Services Action Kit: Interpreter Services in Health Care Settings for People with Limited English Proficiency is a kit for advocates working to ensure that people with limited English proficiency get appropriate language assistance services in medical settings. This kit is available from The Access Project: 617-654-9911 or e-mail at lepactionkit@accessproject.org or website address: <http://www.healthlaw.org/pubs/2003.lepactionkit.html>

The Interactive Atlas of Reproductive Health is a web-based interactive geographic information system (GIS) dedicated to reproductive health issues such as infant mortality, fertility and low birth weight. The atlas provides viewers with access to a unique collection of national geographically and spatially enabled datasets that describe reproductive health. For more info go to: http://www.aap.org/advocacy/washing/elections/med_factsheet_pub.htm

It's a Fact: You should have a mammogram every 1 to 2 years starting at age 40 and a Pap Smear every 1 to 3 years if you have been sexually active or are older than 21. Some women need certain screening tests earlier, or more often, than others. For more information visit: <http://www.4woman.gov> and enter the keywords "Preventive Care."



Blow the Whistle on Asthma – Join an Asthma Walk. The Asthma Walk benefits patient education and research on asthma. The walk will take place on **Saturday, October 4th**. For more information contact:

Olathe Walk – mbelsito@kslung.org or call 913-530-9362

Wichita Walk – jlong@kslung.org or call 316-687-3888, ext. 106.

Let's all get out and walk for the cause!! You can also sign up at the lung association website: <http://www.kslung.org/events/>

The Welfare Information Network, a collaborating partner of Rural Assistance Center, publishes a bi-monthly report, RURAL UPDATE, that provides links to information about new publications, upcoming events and funding opportunities of potential interest to rural health and human service providers. RURAL UPDATES, including a recently issued July report, can be found at this site: <http://www.financeprojectinfo.org/rural/ruralupdates.asp>



Health Calendars. *Pick Your Path to Health* calendars are available online. Calendars are designed for African American, Asian and Pacific Islander, and American Indian and Alaska Native women, Latinas, women with disabilities and women who live in rural communities. Visit <http://www.4woman.gov/pyph/calendar.html>



ARLEN The Latest Drug & Treatment Recommendations by the **National Asthma Education & Prevention Program, National Institute of Health** is a 16 panel pocket reference available for \$7.95 each. You can order this resource at: <http://www.pocketreferences.com/Pages/Asthma.html>



Trans Fat and Food Labels. Food Labels must show the amount of trans fat in a product, directly under the line for saturated fat beginning January 1, 2006. Trans fats are produced when manufacturers use hydrogenation to turn vegetable oil into a more solid fat, as in vegetable shortenings and margarine.

ZIPs: School Health

True Courage is like a kite; a contrary wind raises it higher.

- John Petit-Senn (1792-1870) Writer



Guidelines for Protecting Confidential Student Health Information, written by American School Health Association in collaboration with the National Association of School Nurses and Na-

tional Association of State School Nurse Consultants, is a **must have** resource for all school nurses. It can be ordered at: <http://www.nasn.org/bookstore.htm> (National Association of School Nurses books store) or <http://www.ashaweb.org> (American School Health Association web site.)



President's Council on Physical Fitness and Sports Interactive Web Site. Online program makes it easier for chil-

dren, teens, adults, and seniors to get active and fit. It only takes a small change. Instead of telling yourself you can't, you tell yourself you can!! Visit <http://www.presidentschallenge.org/>

Update on CDC's School Health Index Website. The CDC, Division of Adoles-



cent and School Health, is pleased to announce that it's web-

site now includes two versions of the School Health Index, a self-assessment and planning guide: one that addresses school policies and programs related to physical activity, healthy eating, and a tobacco-free lifestyle; and one that only addresses issues related to physical activity and nutrition. The School Health Index is designed for use at both the elementary and middle/high school levels. You can view this online at: <http://www.cdc.gov/nccdphp/dash/SHI/index.htm>



California Food Policy Resource Guide. California Project LEAN (Leaders Encourag-

ing Activity and Nutrition) developed the Healthy Food Policy Resource Guide in collaboration with the California School Boards Association. The Guide is designed for use by school board members and administrators who want to positively affect the health of students. There is a step-by-step approach for creating a healthy school environment so students can practice healthy eating habits while at school. There is linkage between nutrition, physical activity and learning, offering healthy foods and beverages, and fact sheets and resources. The Guides can be purchased for \$20 and can be ordered at: <http://www.californiaprojectlean.org/>

Walk to School Day is October 8th. Did you know that 65% of school trips within one mile of schools are made by bus or car? One no-cost way to build physical activity into school children's day is to walk to school! The Center for Disease Control, promotes "Walk to School Day" and their website offers a user-friendly presentation where the community can help to increase children's safety, physical activity and independence, and reducing neighborhood, school traffic fear of crime, bullying or abduction. To view their website go to: <http://www.cdc.gov/nccdphp/dnpa/kidswalk/resources.htm>



Diabetes Care Tasks at School: What Key Personnel Need to Know. Online resource guide available at

<http://www.diabetes.org/main/community/advocacy/school/schooltraining.jsp>



Free Physical Activity Promotion Brochures. The Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) is

pleased to announce the availability of four free brochures to help parents, teachers, and principals increase physical activity among elementary and middle school-aged youth. To print or order copies go to: <http://www.cdc.gov/HealthyYouth/PhysicalActivity> or call 1-888-231-6405

Parents Favor Health Care Services in Schools. A Center for Health and Health Care in Schools Parent poll shows overwhelming support for health services and programs in school. View the full summary report with charts and graphics at <http://www.healthinschools.org/pubs/paper/parentpoll.asp>



MMWR: Immunization. Recommended Childhood and Adolescent Immunization Schedule 2003 now online at:

<http://www.cdc.gov/mmwr/>



EPSDT Knowledge Path Released. The knowledge path is an electronic guide on current, high-quality

resources for health professionals and families about strengthening EPSDT services. The resources also include guidelines for the frequency, timing, and content of health promotion and disease prevention services for infants, children, and adolescents. The EPSDT Knowledge Path can be found at http://www.mchlibrary.info/KnowledgePaths/kp_EPSDT.html.

Zip's: Upcoming Events

A smiling face will get you a great deal more than a stomping foot.

- V. Neil Wyrick - Clergyman

KANSAS:



Kansas Public Health Association Conference: September 23-25th, 2003 at the Sheraton Hotel in Overland

Park, KS

KDHE Annual State Immunization Conference:

Wichita Marriott Hotel, November 13-14th, 2003. For more info contact: Margaret Krogmann, Immunization Coordinator – 785-233-8638 or e-mail : argokrogmann@yahoo.com



Perinatal Association of Kansas (PAK) Conference: Will be held at the Manhattan Holiday Inn/

Holidome, September 11th and 12th, 2003. For more information e-mail Mary Ann Humphries at: kspak@sbcglobal.net or go to the PAK website to view the conference brochure: <http://www.kspak.org>

The 27th Annual Governor's Conference for the Prevention of Child Abuse and Neglect will be October 22-24th, 2003 at the Overland Park Marriot in Overland Park, KS. The conference objectives are:

1. To provide information about exemplary models of prevention and intervention services for children and families.
2. To provide a networking opportunity for Kansans interested in the welfare of children.
3. To recognize individuals or organizations who have provided outstanding services to children.
4. To publicize the needs of children and families and the opportunities to meet those needs.
5. To provide certifiable training opportunities for individuals who work professionally providing services for the benefit of children and families.

For more information, visit <http://www.kcs1.org/Pages/0800govconf.html>

NATIONAL:



School Health Beyond the Borders:

American School Health Association Conference, October 15-19th, 2003 in El Paso, Texas. Visit <http://www.ashaweb.org>

Critical Incident Stress Management Conference:

A four day conference schedule divided into separate 2 day trainings on Critical Incident Stress Management held on October 23-26th, 2003. Visit <http://www.icisf.org/Training/conference/brochures/OverlandPk.pdf>



Unleashing the Power of Diversity: 7th Annual Health Communities/Healthy Youth National Conference:

Sponsored by Search Institute, October 23-25th, 2003. <http://www.search-institute.org/hchy/hchy2003/>



Mental Health in Schools – Doing What Works!

Center for School Mental Health Assistance, October 23-25th, 2003. <http://csmha.umaryland.edu/csmha2001/natconf.php3>



Blueprint For Success: Emerging Programs Themes & Policies:

National Organization on Adolescent Pregnancy, Parenting and Prevention, Inc. (NOAPP) Annual Convention, November 10th-13th, 2003 in Arlington, Virginia



Behavior, Lifestyle, and Social Determinants of Health:

American Public Health Association (APHA), November 15-19th, 2003. <http://www.apha.org/meetings/index.htm>

Plan early to attend: Community Access to Child Health (CATCH) & Medical Home National Conference:

July 15-17, 2004 in Chicago, Illinois. For more information or for proposal submission go to: <http://www.aap.org/catch/nationalconf.html>



The Family Life Council presents **Wise Guys: A Male Responsibility Program Training;** An award-winning adolescent pregnancy prevention program for young men between the ages of 11 and 17, on November 13-14th, 2003 is Greensboro, NC. For more information, visit <http://www.wiseguysnc.org>.



REGIONAL:

Sixth Annual Region VII Indoor Air Quality (IAQ) meeting will

be held on September 23-25, 2003. The meeting will start at 1:00 pm and end at noon on September 25th, and will be held at The Quarterage Hotel, 560 Westport Road, Kansas City, Missouri. The cost for a room will be set at the government rate of \$85 plus tax. For hotel information, or to register for a room call: 800-942-4233. To register for the conference please notify Robert E. Dye via e-mail at dye.Robert@epa.gov or call at 913-551-7605.



ONLINE:

A Beginner's Course in Developing BDI Logic Models. Free On-line Course on ETR's ReCAPP Website on BDI (Behavior-Determinant-Intervention)

Logic Models. Visit <http://www.etr.org/recapp>

ZipS: Resources and Funding

Native ability without education is like a tree without fruit.

- Aristippus (435-366 B.C.) - Philosopher

Research on Children Exposed to Violence. The co-sponsoring Institutes and Agencies intend to commit approximately \$2.75 million total costs for research on children exposed to violence. The co-sponsors invite research grant applications in response to the Program Announcement with Set-aside (PAS) that will enhance the understanding of children exposed to domestic violence, community violence, and war/terrorism. Eligible applicants are domestic or foreign for-profit or nonprofit organizations; public or private institutions, such as universities, colleges, hospitals, and laboratories; units of State and local governments; eligible agencies of the Federal government; and faith-based or community-based organizations. For more information go to: <http://grants1.nih.gov/grants/guide/pa-files/PA-03-096.html>



Money Matters: A Reporter's Guide to School Finance. This Education Writers Association's guidebook has the basics on school finance and what it really takes to reach goals and outcomes. Available for a limited time online or can be ordered for a fee. Visit: <http://www.ewa.org/offers/publications>.

Technology Grants. The Progressive Technology Project (PT) seeks to raise the scope and scale of technology resources available to grassroots community organizing groups working for environmental, economic, and social justice. Visit <http://www.progressivetech.org/Program/grantmaking.htm>



Hasbro Children's Foundation Announces Funding Guidelines. The Hasbro Children's Foundation provides funding to enhance opportunities for the most vulnerable children to experience joyful moments as part of their everyday life. The foundation funds not-for-profit organizations only. Requests for funding are reviewed on a rolling basis. Visit <http://www.hasbro.org/hcf>



The Start Something Scholarship Program for Young People. Target Stores and the Tiger Woods Foundation have joined together to establish a program which helps young people pursue



their dreams and goals and encourages youth leadership and community stewardship. Young people between the ages of 8 and 17 can participate in the program in two ways: as part of a group of students under the guidance of a teacher or group leader, or on their own through the program's Web site. For complete program and scholarship information, go to <http://startsomething.target.com>

Advocacy on Budget Cuts: The Praxis Project has developed a toolkit, "Fighting Back on Budget Cuts" to support advocacy around the severe budget cuts that have affected both state and local budgets. Go to: <http://www.thepraxisproject.org/toolkit/index.html>



PhRMA Prescription Drug Patient Assistance Programs. In 2001, companies helped an estimated 3.6 million patients fill more than 10 million prescriptions through PhRMA member company Patient Assistance Programs. For more info and to receive your free directory go to: <http://www.phrma.org> Additional information is available at: <http://www.medicare.gov> <http://www.rxassist.org/default.cfm> <http://www.rxhope.com> <http://www.benefitscheckup.org>



Popular Baby Names in Kansas. The list of popular baby names is one of the most frequently requested items at the Kansas Department of Health and Environment's Center for Health and Environmental Statistics. The list is compiled annually. Below are the top five boys and girls names for the past few years. The listed names may have multiple spellings. If you have questions, E-mail Kansas.Health.Statistics@kdhe.state.ks.us.

	GIRLS	#	BOYS	#
2002				
1	Emily	272	Jacob	373
2	Kaitlyn	270	Ethan	242
3	Haley	266	Zachary	229
4	Madison	258	Nicholas	225
5	Abigail	237	Caleb	218
2001				
1	Kaitlyn	335	Jacob	373
2	Haley	328	Michael	242
3	Madison	306	Ethan	229
4	Emily	280	Austin	225
5	Hannah	253	Zachary	218
2000				
1	Madison	309	Jacob	435
2	Kaitlyn	300	Zachary	285
3	Hannah	283	Michael	273
4	Emily	279	Tyler	247
5	Haley	210	Joshua	245
1999				
1	Kaitlyn	348	Jacob	465
2	Madison	284	Austin	294
3	Emily	280	Nicholas	280
4	Taylor	253	Michael	272
5	Hannah	250	Joshua	243
1998				
1	Kaitlyn	331	Jacob	465
2	Emily	314	Zachary	310
3	Madison	308	Austin	295
4	Hannah	301	Michael	289
5	Taylor	241	Matthew	277

The above data can be located at: <http://www.kdhe.state.ks.us/hci/babynames.html>